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Governor Brian Sandovol State of Nevada Governor's Office State Capitol Building 101 N. Carson Street Carson City, NV 89701

Governor Sandovol:

On behalf of the EMAP Commission, I am pleased to inform you that the State of Nevada's emergency management program has been granted full accreditation by the Emergency Management Accreditation Program (EMAP). Upon recommendation by the EMAP Program Review Committee, the EMAP Commission voted on the State of Nevada's accreditation during a special session meeting this week.

Emergency management accreditation represents a significant achievement. I congratulate and commend The State of Nevada for the work accomplished to achieve compliance with national standards. To achieve accreditation your program, which by EMAP definition includes many agencies and individuals within the jurisdiction, took steps to document compliance with sixty-four professional industry standards and a peerreview on-site assessment by a team of EMAP trained assessors.

Accreditation recognizes the ability of state government to bring together personnel, resources, and communications from a variety of agencies and organizations in preparation for and in response to a disaster of any type. These capabilities form the foundation of the nation's disaster response system. We applaud the State of Nevada's leadership and congratulate you on your commitment to achieve accreditation. More importantly, we recognize the dedication to the safety and security of the State of Nevada's residents that it represents.

Attached for your use as you desire is a press release regarding the State of Nevada's achievement. In the coming weeks, EMAP will provide a plaque recognizing the State of Nevada's accredited status. If I or the EMAP personnel can be of assistance or provide more information, please contact us.

Sincerely,

Barb Graff

Chairperson, EMAP Commission

Cc: Chris B. Smith, Chief, Nevada Division of Emergency Management and Bud Marshall, Southern NV Regional Supervisor, Nevada Division of Emergency Management